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RT.4 Box 1500
Angleton, Texas 77515
March, 10, 1983

"Dear Sir;

I am writing you in hopes that you may be able to assist me in my problem. To give you a little insight to what my problem is, it's only proper that I start from my parole date. I was paroled from T.D.C. in July of (1980) on a (30) year sentence. While on parole I met all parole requirements by not getting involved in any type of criminal activity and keeping a job. The job I had was at Mrs. Bairds Bakery, a job that I kept up until this unfortunate accident. I had gotten (2) rashes and one promotion, to be honest I enjoyed working there. I was in my parole officers words a model parolee and I truly feel that I was functioning productively within my community.

On Feb. 5, 1982 my productivity was shattered by standing before Judge Joe Keagan and being sentence to a (6) year sentence to be ran consecutive with the (30) year sentence, which amount to coming back as a parole violator. The (6) year sentence was for involuntary manslaughter an unavoidable accident that happen while on my way to work.

During the P.S.I. report the victims Mother gave the statement and I quote "didn't feel that I should be sent back to prison for a accident that couldn't be prevented, yet here I am."

I recently received a (1) year set off, (Feb. 1983 to Feb. 1984). What I am asking of you is for some assistance in the way of writing the Board of Pardons and Parole in my behalf asking that my case be resubmitted before the Board for a Special Review for parole and that I get some serious consideration on being put back on parole to continue a productive life in my community.

Any consideration and help you may be able to give me in this matter will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your time!.

Cordially Yours

Terry E. Crittendon.

U .S. House of Representatives
Congressman Mickey Leeland
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Mr Leeland.

once again i,m writing you in this unable postion which hurts me so to do so. i know you wrote and assisted me once before in a position like this and even stayed in socity for a Year and a half and accidentally got cought slipping but now Mr Leeland i,m asking your assistance and answeres to the bills that was presented to the Texas Legislators. in other words i,d like to know the possibilities of bills approved and vetoed. i heard it was a bill set up by some congressman implicating a inmate possibilty Paroleing to a Half way House in Washington if he,s approved by the Texas Board of Pardon and Paroles. i,m serving a 7Year sentence for Burgalary and theft of a Builing and i,m due for Parole in June which ill more than likely get turned down. i do feel i stand a good chance my second time up so i would like to know a bit more about the bill pertaining to Paroling to D.C. Mr Leeland i,d love to go back to my native home of Houston but i,d also like to have me some type of qualification that ill make me comfortable and able to work and enjoy in Houston. this kind of help we do not recieve in T.D.C. so ill be waiting on your reply in hopes of hearing from you soon. thanking you for you time and cocern bye know and may peace be with you.

Cordially

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